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EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH WITH CARBON AND MAGNET

by V.L. CAMERON, HYDROLOGICAL ENGINEER.

(Several years ago, the BSR Director compiled and published a 15-page pamphlet entitled: VITIC - THE PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF CARBON USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PERMANENT MAGNET. The contents of this falls into four sections: (1) The Data Assembled by Brian Brown, in his "Dynamic Power of the Inner Mind (2) Comments of E.C. Krieger, Ordnance Engineer (reprinted from Round Robin) (3) Psychic Investigation of the phenomenon; various sources (4) The OD of Reichenbach, and Miscellaneous Comments. So far as is known to this writer, this pamphlet is the only existing summary of data on the subject. Tho' certainly very tentative and inadequate, it should be read in connection with the present article by BSR Assoc. Cameron.

(While there is no doubt in my own mind as to the actuality of most of the effects described in the pamphlet and in Assoc. Cameron's memorandum, they seem to be deeply involved with the subject of magnetic currents, the auric emanations of the human body, and instrumental findings in the field of radiesthesia. This in itself is sufficient commentary on the complexities of the problem. If Assoc. Cameron's initial experiments seem to add to these, that is only a usual and necessary stage in investigations of this sort. I hope that other Associates will be able to forward data of their own).- (M.L.)

MEMO. by )  
V.L. Cameron)

As some of our readers may know, a little elementary research has been done recently on the effect on the human body of a magnetic or electrical flow induced by holding a magnet in one hand and a carbon rod in the other. It was reported to have a marked effect on the nervous system, depressing some and exciting others, and may be the forerunner of new discoveries in medical science and the treatment of disease

In response to a request from BSR Director Meade Layne, I began experimenting a few days ago. I happen to be unusually well equipped for this, since instead of having to depend on galvanometers entirely, I have an instrument originally designed for locating underground water, which is powered by the absorption of some of the auric emanation of the body. This powerfully polarizes an alloy knob which is poised in such a way that it responds to the slightest push or pull, as it is pivoted in tiny ball races. Since it is polarized positively from my body aura, it is repelled by proximity to my body, or to anyone else's on coming in contact with the aura. By knowing the customary shape of the aura at all places, I am able to detect any change due to addition to or dissipation from the aura. (1)

(1) This is the remarkable instrument referred to in the last paragraph on page 16, of this issue of Round Robin. The proximity of carbon causes the alloy knob to rotate at high speed!!



On July 7 during a drive from Los Angeles to Elsinore, I held a carbon rod in one hand and a powerful Alnico magnet in the other. (1) At intervals I tested the aura and found that from my waist to my nose a shape like a wheel of cheese was building out around my body. In 20-30 minutes this charge of electricity, which I have found to be of a wave length below light, even below X-ray, had reached a point where I could not feel the outside perimeter of it. Also, I had lost the ability to feel the streams of water as I passed over them in the car. I finally got out of the car at a point where I knew there was an underground river, but I could not feel it until about 20 minutes had elapsed after putting down the carbon and magnet (which I shall hereafter call "the pair"). However, after a few minutes the instrument seemed to pull more powerfully toward the water than it does ordinarily.

Two evening previously my son Larry (12) held the pair for 15 minutes while he experimented with throwing mental picture shapes into various objects or places in the room. It seemed to increase his ability to do this, since after he visualized a certain shape in a certain spot, a moment later I could take the instrument and feel out the shape he had impressed there. This charging with vital force is something I have experimented with quite a bit. Upon going to bed soon afterward, Larry was so nervous that he could not sleep for three hours. He had previously found that holding the pair made him very nervous, even tho' he was not expending nerve force knowingly. (2)

Later I wondered if the action between the pair had to be confined to the human body, so I laid a wet towel extended across the table, with the carbon on one end and the magnet on the other. A ray shaped like an old-fashioned corn crib or an inverted, elongated pyramid went clear up to the ceiling. This same shape I had found goes up from the palms of the hands when they are turned upward. It is evidently a discharge of force.

Then I tried salt water on the towel, and this seemed to increase the action. Then I alternated two magnets and two carbons. This seemed to kill all action. I tried a carbon in the center and a magnet at each end. This made a very powerful box-like shape of force. I laid my left hand on the center carbon in the latter order and found that my aura had vanished, apparently drawn away by the carbon; yet when I took hold of one of the end magnets my aura reappeared. This seems to show that the magnets act as a negative quantity, apparently drawing power from the carbon. With a magnet in the center of the towel and a carbon at each end, there was no action. (3)

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(1) Alnicos contain Ni, Al, & Co and have about 14 times the energy of a steel magnet of the same size. Braun Corp., 2260-E. 15th St., Los Angeles 21, Calif. Will send price lists. Reasonable.

(2) This effect probably depends on (a) the way in which the pair is held (b) the "nerve condition" of the person affected (c) or both. We have had similar reports but the element of suggestion has to be reckoned with. (3) The Mark P. Controls say that no special energy flow enters the body, but that currents are set up in the auric magnetic field. There is a slight arcing of the field of the magnet toward the carbon which can be seen clairvoyantly. ML



Later I tried substituting a piece of iron wire for the towel and found the same radiation of force, mostly upward. Tried a very tiny magnet in one hand and the carbon in the other, and found that my aura changed very slowly; then substituted a large handful of fragments of magnets drawn together in a cluster, and the aura built up rapidly. I have long known that the bulge of aura over one's chest fluctuates with breathing, being repelled farther when the lungs are full of air. This fluctuation continues while taking on a charge from the pair. I believe it is the carbon dioxide in the breath which causes this, and the more breath the more repulsion. During high emotion the chest aura protrudes to as much as 12 feet; yet the fluctuation of the instrument continues at that time when it is held at the end of the auric beam. . . All life is connected by carbon.

Plants create carbon as carbohydrates; animals eat the plants and other animals eat them. As the carbon molecule reaches the lungs thru the blood stream, it recombines as carbon dioxide and releases energy. When carbohydrates are buried deep in the earth the heat and pressure crack the molecules and separate them. When the carbon recombines with hydrogen from water the result is the hydrocarbons, oil and its many derivatives. When hydrocarbons are burned in a motor, soot and free carbon and carbon monoxide are produced. So, the world runs on oxygen, carbon, and hydrogen - in other words, on light: for it is light or light-energy which is trapped in carbon. The world is a complex system of heat, pressure, carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, energy and light. By the swapping of the carbon molecule back and forth we are given the basic energy of the earth.

But what part does magnetism play in this system? What effect is there between the magnet and the carbon? My instruments are affected only by light or magnetic flux; they are not attracted by a magnet, but repelled, and there seems to be no distinction between this repulsion and the emanation coming from a combination of a magnet and a carbon separated by an electrical conductor. Therefore it would seem that magnetism and light are only slightly varying forms of electricity (they travel at exactly the same rate of speed). Holding the magnet and carbon in the hands seems to add to this aura of light around the body. Is the carbon able to act as an antenna, drawing this power from the atmosphere, and is the suction produced by the remote contact with the magnet? Is the magnet like a radio which cannot draw in the sounds from the atmosphere until it is supplied with an antenna?

It seems to me we are groping on the fringe of discoveries of tremendous importance and value. Do you know or suspect any of the answers?

V.L.C.

Box S-218 Grand Ave., Elsinore, Calif. 7/13/51.

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NOTE: The pamphlet entitled VITIC (etc.), referred to in the first paragraph of this article, page 1, may be had from BSRA Hdqrs. (\$1.00). We have only a few copies on hand. Data relevant to the "VITIC" are constantly increasing and we invite the cooperation of our Associates.

NOTES ON "OCCULT" PERFUMES

by

CHARLES J. RYAN.

(Charles J. Ryan, whose transition occurred about two years ago, was for many years Professor of Astronomy at the Theosophical University, at Covina, California. He was a man of many talents, a scientist, a prolific writer, and an artist of distinction. His occult knowledge was very extensive and included the field of spiritism and psychic phenomena; he was very friendly toward the BSR activities and frequently contributed to Round Robin. He has several times communicated with us through the trance mediumship of Mark Probert. The following notes were sent to RR shortly before his death).

(Dear Frater: Here are some points which I did not include in my FORUM article and which I think might be of interest to you . . .).

With regard to the perfume. I have observed it at intervals since 1894, and on to the present year, but of late years it has been very faint and rarely manifested. From 1894 to 1900 it was very powerful at frequent intervals. Sometimes it was definitely located as originating in a certain spot, and would pour out almost like a blast of air and completely fill the room, only to disappear instantly, not at all the behaviour of ordinary perfumes. This peculiar phenomenon reminds me of Professor Zollner's famous observation of the psychic light under a table, which threw parallel shadows on the walls from the legs - an impossibility unless the light came from an infinite distance, or from its equivalent, another "plane". Du Prel in his Philosophie der Mystik drew special attention to this interpretation. Zollner also observed water spraying from a spot in the air and going in every direction so as to wet the floor, the four walls, and the ceiling.

I have a clipping from the Bristol Evening Post (England), of Sept. 20, 1933, which describes a similar phenomenon, though not at a seance. A girl of 13 lived in the house, however, which was in Bell Lane, Leicester. Jets of water spurted from the walls and ceiling, gushing through wall paper but leaving it perfectly dry and unmarked. What the reporter called "experts" and detectives examined the walls and took up the floors, but found no trace of water or even dampness. The floors and furniture were wetted, about 50 gallons being mopped up. As usual, no solution of the problem was found, even by the "experts". Nor did they find the solution of Zollner's highly scientific experiments with the medium Slade, who was so badly slandered by a prominent scientist in London.\*

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\* Professor Ray Lancaster. Copies of Zollner's Transcendental Physics, detailing many of his experiments with Slade, though long OP can still be found occasionally, at a moderate price. ML.



Returning to the mystical Oriental near-sandalwood perfume; this was often well marked when H.P. Blavatsky demonstrated her magical powers and control over the Elementals, and after her death it became associated with her faithful disciple and successor in America, William Q. Judge. He was an expert at projection and frequently communicated with some of his closest friends and followers on the Pacific Coast, both in vision and by definite materialization. In the latter case the "Lodge Odor", as it was called by the few who knew of it, was usually present. But it was often perceived in places thousands of miles from his location, as I can positively testify from my numerous observations. I found it generally if not always associated with more or less elevated emotional or spiritual tension. This was also the opinion of many of my Theosophical friends who enjoyed the same experience.

After Mr. Judge's death this phenomenon greatly diminished, but some years later when I lived at Point Loma (and even since that time) a few of the students, including myself, observed additional perfumes of great power and sweetness at irregular intervals, often in the open air and where there could be no physical cause. These include rose, violet, and jasmin. I believe the subject has a very important and practical side and will repay close study. Even the dark side, i.e., nauseating smells under the stress of evil passions may serve as warnings after everything else has failed. One highly sensational instance of this was brought to my knowledge during a crisis, and served a very useful purpose for me and others by providing a clue to hidden wrong-doing.

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(As in the case of the article on Dowsing, appearing in issue VII-1, best summary is to be found in Nandor Fodor's Encyclopedia under the heading of PERFUMES, from which we take the following extracts):

"In view of experiences with modern mediums there is no reason to doubt the substantial truth of such phenomena" (i.e., of the emanation of perfumes during psychic operations). "In the records of Stainton Moses, scents were often found to be issuing out of his head. . . During the seance it usually came down in showers. On request a good tablespoonful was once poured into a glass... Moses himself believed that the process was remedial and that scents were employed to harmonize conditions. "If a new sitter is present (he wrote) he is sensed, and so initiated. His chair is surrounded by luminous haze from which issues the perfume; and very frequently wet scent, more or less pungent, is sprinkled from the ceiling at the same time. If a new intelligence is to communicate, or special honour to be paid to a chief, the room is pervaded by perfume which grows stronger as the spirit enters. ...I find it difficult to convey any idea of the subtle odours that have been diffused throughout the room, or of the permanence of the scent. It is sprinkled in showers from the ceiling and borne in waves of cool air around the circle . . a luminous haze accompanies it...

"When we first observed this manifestation it was attended by a great peculiarity, The odour was circumscribed in space, confined to a belt or band beyond which it did not penetrate. Outside of that belt it was not perceptible; or it was drawn across the room as a cordon

so that it was possible to walk into it and out of it again. I should describe what I observed as a scented zone or belt, perfectly defined, and not more than a few feet in breadth. Within it the temperature was cool and the scent strong, outside of it the air was decidedly warmer and no trace of the perfume was perceptible. .. I have known the same phenomenon to occur in the open air... and even of cases where wet scent was showered down in the open air..."

The scents were not always welcome, and Nandor Fodor quotes Dr. Speer as saying: "The other evening a newcomer slipped in and stank us out of the room by throwing down from the ceiling a large quantity of Sp. Pulegii" (pulegium is pennyroyal, a very pungent mint). "Everything it touched was impregnated for 24 hours. The table cloth and some of my clothing had to be aired and the dining room floor and passage fumigated. That spirit has not been invited to join us again." "Charnel house odours" are sometimes observed in cases of hauntings, and the skeleton materialized by Carlos Mirabelli gave off a very bad smell indeed.

Enough has perhaps been said to indicate the complexity and wide range of the odours-and-perfumes problem. Dr. Joseph Maxwell, an eminent French investigator, the philosopher Swedenborg, Dr. G. Billot, the writer Deleuze, among many others, have observed the phenomenon. The "odour of sanctity", the ambrosia of the Gods and the stinking breath of demons may well trace back to such experiences. Operative occultists as well as many spiritualists are familiar with them. Dion Fortune relates that during a divination by Geomancy, the room was suddenly "filled with a stench of drains" - which she attributed to having set up her prick-sheet on paper instead of a sand box. The present writer, in fact, had a similar experience during a geomantic operation, long before he had heard of such occurrences (and in this case too the sand box was not available).

Very little seems to be known about the true nature of odours and essences. The medium Home was able to separate the scent of a flower into two parts, one smelling like earth, the other "very sweet". He could withdraw the strength from brandy, so that it tasted "scarcely at all of spirit"; also the acid taste from a lemon, which then "tasted like washing soda" - but which he could then restore to its original condition. (This according to Lord Adare, who lived with Home for two years and so kept him under prolonged observation). One might add that the odour of ozone, such as is noted in the vicinity of a static machine in operation, is fairly common, especially where some type of materialization phenomenon is occurring, and that this should not be mistaken for the odour of phosphorous - as has been done by some self-styled investigators.

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Note: The "Dr. Speer" mentioned by Fodor (sup.) is not to be confused with the Rev. John Murray Spear, who was involved in the strange affair of the "self-generative motor", a machine "infused with the life principle" and announced as "God's last best gift to man." All this, from c. 1854, et ff.



" OUTLINE OF METAPHYSICS " \*

"Echoes of the 19th century conflict between religion and science have more or less died away. The war comprised a series of battles between religious and scientific materialism ... and has ended for two reasons: (a) the virtual disappearance of religious literalism; (b) the collapse of scientific materialism.

"The latter, having trampled its opponent to death, proceeded to commit suicide by successfully splitting the atom. Dalton in the early part of the 19th century struck some decisive blows at religious materialism by temporarily confirming the scientific materialism of the early Ionian philosophers. Crookes, Thompson, Rutherford, Mendeleyev, Moseley and others then demolished the whole materialistic edifice by splitting the unsplitable, thus reaching the shocking conclusion that matter is a relative illusion. Materialism, which had lasted for about 2500 years . . . quietly expired in about ten years when it was learned that matter, far from being a permanent basis of anything, only exists so long as certain forces maintain its electrons in their regular orbits. Materialism is now dead. Its supporters have so far succeeded in postponing its burial on the ground that the thing is only stunned and might one day undergo resuscitation, altho it is becoming offensively obvious that an interment will soon become a vital necessity.

"The failure of contemporary science, after shattering the standards of religious morality, to solve international problems by rationalization alone has forced certain glimpses of the obvious on the attention of humanity. Certain issues compel notice. These might be summarized as follows:

"(1) Two major wars and an economic depression have proved that international peace and prosperity cannot be attained by mere expeditious planning and the organization of human beings on a soulless basis.

"(2) Physics has come up against a wall. It has had to admit its inability to progress any further without crossing from the familiar world of solids, liquids and gases with their simple phase-rules into the ultragaseous sphere - the dubious region of "radiant matter". Quantum, wavicles and Space-Time are no longer speculative luxuries which a few established geniuses could afford to play with while serious folk built automobiles and totalizers. This virtually means admitting metaphysics of the mystic variety into the scientific holy of holies, a step which the academic world is postponing as long as it possibly can. The fact remains, however, that in the near future something very like occult metaphysics will have to be adopted into the scientific curriculum. This means that it will need to be reduced to some sort of accurate classification in terms of modern academic thought, but in that case there may be some repercussions from the old religious-scientific conflict.

"This conflict has had certain effects on current metaphysics. The devotional mysticism which gave political Christianity its sole excuse

for existing thickly colored early occult thought of the present of the of the present century . . Its emotionalism tended to make science a bit suspicious . . (but) the most important task ahead of us in the practical future of the western world is

"(a) to render the principles of occultism intelligible to a growing number of educated and cultured western minds;

"(b) to co-ordinate these principles with the accepted standards of modern scientific and academic study.

"This is vitally important today, when every type of human expression may be exploited for private profit. If the devotional-mystic element in early occult metaphysics of the present century roused suspicion in the scientific mind, invasion of this field by an army of charlatans, million-dollar-temple cults, "go-getters" and "stunt-merchants" has made it almost unclean from the viewpoint of science. An academic basis for occult metaphysics is therefore essential. This does not mean that the religious approach is to be disregarded, because practical religion will have an important part to play in the future, especially in the healing of psychological diseases. It means that a special institution on scientific and experimental lines is required to fit occultism into the scientific scheme of things." \*

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This brilliant introduction, by Furze Morrish, to his Outline of Metaphysics, expresses very accurately the point of view long maintained by the publications of the Borderland Sciences Research Associates. The separation of science from occultism, or from philosophy, is one of convenience and methodology; any antagonism arises from limited viewpoints, lack of knowledge, and a one-sided conditioning of the mind. Science worship in the narrow and intolerant sense is rarely encountered among scientific minds of the first order; it is among technicians, craftsmen, and the public generally that "scientism" runs riot.

"Human beings make no energy but are merely its transient transformers . . There is not much difference between matter and energy." (Prof. Thompson, in Six Men of Science). -- "I think the material universe and consciousness are made out of the same stuff. We cannot speak of matter as something separate from the mind. Consciousness is absolutely fundamental." (Schroedinger, same ref.) - - "I regard consciousness and matter as different aspects of the same thing. There is one substance of which both are built" (Prince de Broglie, id.) - - "I think that life is part of some greater life that we cannot understand. I regard consciousness as fundamental. I regard matter as derivative from consciousness" (Max Planck. id.) - - "There is the possibility of man's mind acting on matter which suggests that thought may be the most important thing in the

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\* Outline of Metaphysics, by Furze Morrish; Rider & Co., N.Y. & Lon.



world. There is no cogent reason for supposing that the soul dies with the body" (A.H.Compton) -- "The field of the subatomic world beyond the electron is becoming more embarrassing than ever. Serious-minded men are wondering once more whether Nature is really consistent and orderly. Scientists are beginning to doubt whether the reality of nature and the laws of nature which they seek have any real meaning. Eddington is sceptical about finding any complete view of nature in science. Bertrand Russell would give up the eternal struggle for "final truths belong to heaven and not to this world." Some natural philosophers, hopelessly befuddled by the cataclysmic disclosures of the last three decades, are actually in retreat. The whole established edifice of science seems to be in need of overhauling if nature is to be made to appear orderly."

(Bernard Jaffe, Crucibles. p. 350).

# PHYSICS, THE ETHERS & the FLYING DISCS

For several years past the BSR publications have urged the extreme importance, for science and for common thinking, of the concept of the ethers, which are omnipresent media of extreme density,

and identifiable with "space". The recurrent phenomena of the flying Discs ("saucers") cannot, in their majority, be explained by any other means. Now, as far back as 1934, W.G. Swann pointed out (in his Architecture of the Universe) that physics does not debar the existence of more than one universe in one and the same space, and that it is possible to have two entirely distinct worlds occupying the same space without any mutual awareness.

"The mathematical physicist" (says Swann) "will realize that all that is necessary for the existence of the two universes of the kind in question is that each should be specified by a set of quantities and equations in such a way that none of the vectors or scalars occurring in one set are to be found in the other." He goes on to say that mutual awareness between such universes requires only some equational quantities common to both, and "In case the layman does not know what I am talking about, it may suffice to say that mathematical physics presents no fundamental obstacle to his going to heaven."

The word ether does not occur here, and the expression "one and the same space" will hardly stand critical analysis. 'Interpenetrating ethers' would come closer though still lacking exactitude. But the basic idea of the possible coexistence of two or more worlds or universes, in the rarefied matter of our plane of perception and in the etheric matter which flows through it - this idea is fully grasped by Swann and is declared by him to be entirely acceptable to mathematics and physics, as is also the possibility of mutual awareness between such worlds. Yet in the numerous books and endless columns of speculation (to say nothing of the spate of stupidity and boorishness) not the smallest attention has been given, outside of our BSR publications, to the 'etheric hypothesis'. It is good science, it is sound metaphysics, and it 'saves' practically all of the reported phenomena. It stands alone and has no competitor. I advert to it here, as a conspicuous illustration to Furze Morrish's introduction to his "Outline", quoted on the first two pages of this article.

MINOR ITEMS  
from recent  
Seances -

'The assertion you refer to, that there are spots or places on the earth's surface, where cancer develops on account of certain radiant earth energies, is correct. The most active of these emanations may be called the green ray or vibration. It seems to be compounded of several other "rays".' (Yada di Shi'ite).

(Investigation of this matter belongs in the field of radiesthesia, & considerable alleged data has been assembled. BSR Hdqrs does not have this information and cannot supply it at this time. But it is the opinion of the present writer that cancer patients should NOT continue to reside in exactly the spot where the disease first appeared. If nothing better can be done, a change should be made to a different room, especially for sleeping. The "green ray" is believed to be highly localized as a rule. ML).

The Vortexes: There are many ethers, of varying degrees of density, and distortions or warps may occur in any one them. Such a warp does not result in a vacuum, but a part of the ether is replaced or filled in by by other etheric matter of a different density. Then, objects moving in the warp will act differently.' (This refers to the distortion of gravity, compass movements, visual effects etc. in the neighborhood of the so-called Vortexes - such as that near Grant's Pass in Oregon. ML).

Meteors: 'The curious slow fall of meteors (on some occasions) cannot be due to retardation by the air. Instead, there is a kind of condensation of the ether which acts on the magnetic field surrounding the meteor itself, as a brake.' (A number of instances are on record where meteors or meteorites several tons in weight have hardly marked the surface of the earth on landing. Fort mentions several examples. ML).

"Fortean Falls": 'Concerning the so-called blood-rain, microscopic examination has revealed the blood corpuscles - it is really blood. Showers of fish and frogs are comparatively common, also slimes, stones, stone axes and many other objects are on record. I can only say that these things originate spontaneously in space - that is to say, in the enormously dense ethers; do not ask me the Why and How.' (Charles Fort enumerates nearly a page-full of objects 'fallen from the sky', and has said all that needs saying concerning the 'scientific explanation' that such falls either do not occur at all, or else consist of objects picked up by whirlwinds and dropped in new locations. The BSR Associate will make a practise of (1) inquiring for the verdict of scientists (if any), (2) viewing it with profound distrust. "Stone axes" are wedge-shaped stones often embedded in trees and found in all parts of the world; they are popularly believed to fall during thunderstorms and there seems to be considerable data to support this. ML).

(All preceding semiquotes are from Yada di Shi'ite, 7/12/51).

Remarks of Prof.  
Charles J. Ryan  
7-12-51.

'Earth-livers' is a far better term than 'earth-bound'. I use it to refer to the great multitude of the so-called dead who remain in your world, on



your plane, often for many years or centuries. Their consciousness is not yet divided, separated from the earth life. Many of them are quite happy, others would not be happy anywhere. Some people pass over from earth life without any break in consciousness. That was true in my own case. Your friend Frank Edwards, whom I have come to know over here, crossed over in the same way. Others have a kind of blank-out like a dreamless sleep; yet they actually have a kind of awareness, otherwise they would never awaken. But their body has no sense of its existence. This may be the result of long years of physical suffering. It is a kind of escapism.

'These are called the Sleepers, and both they and the earth-livers have guardians and teachers; you need have no fear for them at all.

'On coming over here, I at first found myself in endless space, but this space was filled with endless lines of something in motion. It was as if I were walking in a vast field filled with very fine strings of rubber. Soon I met a teacher who told me that these lines of force could be turned into forms and shapes of things I needed. I was to take them and build with my mind.

'I was interested in painting in my earth life, and now I determined to do some real art work, with these possibilities before me. First I built myself a small house; it has only two rooms and stands among pine trees in a glen where there is a running stream, and the place is filled with a soft glow, like an after-glow.'

'This concentration on the things I have been making is causing me to lose control of the medium . . .

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Professor Luntz: This communicator talked briefly on foods and medical matters. He renewed his objections to the use of white sugar, saying that in the long run it caused arthritis, rheumatism, and diseases of the joints generally. Speaking of post-operative shock, he asserted that this could be avoided if operations were performed with the patient under hypnosis instead of the anaesthetics usually employed. But even in the 'usual procedure a great deal can be done to avoid shock, by means of autosuggestion (presumably by heterosuggestion also.ML) before an operation - to the effect that "you will feel no pain, there is nothing to fear, there will be no shock, no bad after-effects," etc. A patient under anaesthesia is aware of everything that is being done but is not suffering physical pain; there may be very slight body sensations however. Spinal injections and all other injections of foreign substances into the body are objectionable, in that eventually they produce bad effects.

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# CONCERNING MANTRAMS

by  
Vivian Brinkley, BSRA.

In the beginning, according to the book OAHSPÉ, Man was given two hundred and eighty signs, symbols and implements with which to contact the Gods for help and protection. Among these were many mantrams, and altho through the ages many have been lost, we still have today a few of great power.

Some of these are known only to certain groups and are guarded very closely, such as those that cause fire and wind and water to obey the human will. Others are passed down from one generation to another in a family, not especially guarded perhaps, but seldom spoken of, since ridicule is the usual result. We are still too close to the days when anything smacking of the supernatural was labeled witchcraft and the burning-stake was the result.

Mantrams form a large part of the rituals of exorcism, such as have long been used by the Church in ridding haunted houses of their ghostly occupants and in driving out "devils" from obsessed persons. One of the most familiar of all mantrams is the A-U-M. Used with varying degrees of tone, pitch and force, it activates the aura and the chakras accordingly. It is familiar to all occultists and has some use among spiritualists, even here in the West.

One truly effective mantram (as I am convinced), is the one used for stopping the flow of blood from a wound. This cannot be given in writing and must be told only by a man to a woman or by a woman to a man. If it is given to a person of the same sex, both persons concerned lose the power to use it. This is supposed to be partly explained by the fact that the female is regarded as "negative" and the male as "positive", and that the power of the mantram is preserved by being passed from one polarity to the other.

Faith in a mantram does not seem to be always prerequisite - at least not in the case of the one just mentioned. It was told to me by a doctor who did not have the least idea that it would 'work' until he had used it and had seen the result. He was called by a hospital at two o'clock one morning and told that a cancer patient of his was hemorrhaging badly. While dressing he thought about the mantram, and (mainly to prove to himself that it wouldn't work) repeated it. On arriving at the hospital he found that the hemorrhage had stopped at the time the mantram was used. Since then I have had an opportunity to see its effects myself, in the case of a woman who was bleeding badly from a cut made by a piece of broken glass. A friend who was present repeated the mantram and the flow of blood stopped immediately, nor did it begin again when the doctor dressed the injury.

Another well-known mantram is the one used before entering the presence of one who is sick. Like most mantrams, it is repeated three times. It goes as follows:

"O Lord My God, in thy name I go in a dangerous business;  
come thou through thy Angels and protect me for thy sake".



A mantram often used for protection of the home is found in the Psalms:

"Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered; let them also that hate him flee before him. As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Sing unto God, sing praises to his name; extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him,

This mantram is supposed to be written on a piece of paper, read aloud three times, and then deposited within the door knocker or in some hidden place near the door.

All scriptures, rituals and ceremonials abound in mantrams, and references to them are found everywhere in occult and mystical literature. The trance controls of Mark Probert tell us that any expression can be used as a mantram (just as any object can be used for meditation), the main requisite being that we know exactly what we are asking for and have confidence that it will be manifested. Nevertheless, there is a value in traditional forms and in the use of particular notes or tones. The effect of a mantram depends largely on setting up certain vibratory rates. Vibrations are by no means confined to the air or to a locality, but are picked up and maintained by the ethers. Nor is the unspoken word, the thought, to be excluded from this, since it too is a form of energy or of action. And the Bible tells us that "In the beginning was the Word" - the unheard "sound" which threw the cosmic matter into vortices and universes. It is axiomatic in occult thinking, that any word, or the name of any thing is a source of power. Vowels are often omitted from the printed form of holy Names. Letters, and hence words, have numerical values attached to them. Thus it is clear that the subject of mantrams has no definable limits, and one can do little more than barely refer to it in these few paragraphs.

The use of mantrams is of course a "magical" practise, and magic has its dark side as well as bright. The death prayer has been and still is used among all primitive peoples (and sometimes among so-called civilized ones as well); and the mantram in the sense of intoned, chanted and repeated phrases is a prominent feature of such rituals.

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NOTE: The subject discussed by Assoc. V.B. of course is, as she suggests, of enormous extent and complexity. The RR editor has several times attempted a booklet on Mantric magic, but without finding a practicable method of presentation. We have, however, a 10-page mimeo. compilation under the title RETRO ME, dealing with psychic self-defense and involving mantric usages. (\$1.00). We hope that our readers will note the two instances of this which Assoc V.B. personally observed - and if you have any clear-cut and definite experiences of your own, of a similar type, please pass them along to us. The subject is a serious one and of great interest from several points of view - and your name need not be used if you so prefer. Send the mantric text or form if you have it. ML.

Edgar W. Block, B.Sc.  
Indianola, Ill.

"How can anyone tell what might be the brain radiations of an isolated tribe of Mexican Indians that speak Mayan and whom only a few white people have ever seen? It is claimed that the determination of these is all in the operator's mind - not like television, which is "understood" by scientists. But few scientists (if any) understand radiesthesia, altho it dates back at least to Roman times. Meade Layne has written an interesting article on this in the May Round Robin. When the Lord's prayer or the Ten Commandments are recited while the pendulum is in motion, it becomes more active. The magnetism of flesh or water is not shown by a compass needle, but a weak magnet will pick up more weight if the poles have been rubbed with the finger tips. A strong magnet is weakened by the same process. . . "

Sanctilean University  
re Flying Discs

"It is as if, for example, no one on earth had ever seen eagles flying in the sky, until suddenly the ability to see them developed. The upper threshold of man's contact with the supraphysical is rising . . his upper threshold of objective vision is rising. Spiritual progress is the extension of the outer limit of objective cognition. The whole humanity of earth is advancing a little spiritually. . . The congeries of life within our three-fold earth is so complex and extensive that there is no need to suppose that whatever is novel in present mundane experience has come from another planet or solar system. . . Only a few miles above the surface of the physical earth and on the underside of the surface tension film are hangers of "aircraft" which are only slightly above the upper threshold of vision; until recently they have navigated our skies unknown and unsuspected by man. . .

(Sanctilean Booklet Series; Part III. A lengthy quote is sent us by Assoc. Don Green, 9121 So. Dale Ave., Rt. 2, Anaheim, Calif. Many of the concepts are interesting and seem to me basically sound from the esoteric point of view; the terminology is such, however, that one practically has to learn a new language to deal with them).

Assoc. Mrs. R.E. . . . "Frankly, I think there are countless methods of contacting one's Source, one's innermost being, but that each one has to discover his own. Methods that may be fine for some may be disastrous for others. I have tried all kinds of methods and have had to abandon them; the result is I've developed methods of my own, so peculiar that even I have a hard time understanding them. Yet such as they are, they work too often to be just accidental. It's almost as if I'm prevented from following rules or even trying to live up to a system.

Right here, I believe, is why what the Mark Probert Controls have to say is of such help - at least to people like me. They say what they have to say but never try to influence anyone to do anything. They show a wisdom, in my eyes, that I've never seen matched or surpassed in anything coming from such a source. That's why I have such profound respect for all of them and the work they are doing. . . "



CORRESP. (con.)

Assoc. H.M. WAGNER  
DeFuniak Springs,  
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Director, BSRA)

. . . "While talking with WML after the sitting the medium and I spoke of the unexplained deaths in Oahu" (deaths of Filipinos some months past).

"At the next sitting we were brought the story as follows: In olden times a very powerful mental

force established a taboo over certain areas in Oahu, directed not against all invaders but against those of certain types. These taboos the unwitting Filipinos broke, and died therefor just as did the invaders of certain Egyptian tombs. Before death the victims astrally saw the attackers and knew why they were attacked. This caused the appearance of death in nightmare. We are promised at a later date the story of the taboo, its character, and the identity of the ones who placed it.

Following my statement that many prophets had foretold the discovery of yet unfound chambers in the Great Pyramid during this century; the Communicator remarked that many such secret chambers exist, but that the secrets contained in them will be unintelligible except to certain prepared individuals; that these chambers are closely guarded until such individuals can be located - not to guard the secret from discovery, but to guard the manuscripts from being scattered and lost to sight in museums, to be gathered back only with great labor and perhaps little success.

I told my Zulu King I was anxious to learn the wisdom of the old Insanusi. He was much pleased and promised to bring those able to teach when the time comes that they can talk freely thru our medium. This he thought would not be too long."

Yours, etc.  
H.M.W.

The close cooperation of Assoc. Wagner and the various visits made to his Florida home by Associates from California and the Middle West, illustrate the way in which our BSR is extending and integrating. Also, it remains almost free from profitless argument and dogmatic fixations - a matter of great importance in view of fluent and uncertain nature of most of the subject matter.

Concerning ZNO  
(or Si-No?) -  
Howard D. Clark -  
George W. Wallace.

(From letter of Howard D. Clark (Yucca Valley, Calif., to the BSR Director): . . . Mr. George Wallace of Beaumont invented ZNO after long experimentation. He is a scientist, an inventor with over 100 patented articles, an assayer and chemist

and highly open-minded as to borderland phenomena. This new dowsin device consists of a wire about 24 inches long, with two coils in it and a handle. The wire has magnetic properties from treatment, is metallized with about 50 metallic elements, and is balanced but highly sensitive. It allows anyone to achieve results similar to those of the pendulum but in a more pronounced manner.

The gadget is held horizontally and will move up and down for yes and horizontally for no. Its use has been tested thousands of times for all manner of queries. I used it today to find a misplaced article. It gives answers about persons, some future predictions, distance when used with its chart of figures, gives angles, selects letters of the alphabet, months named on a chart, and area of the human body affected by illness

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from a chart. When used to locate water, mines, ores etc. a drawing of the area is used. When passed over the letters of the alphabet it spelled its own name by selecting Z, N, and O (Zee-No)."

(Note: It has been suggested to the Editor that Zee-No is really Si-No, or "yes-no", hence analogous to Ouija, which is Oui- Ja or "yes-yes").

"In spite of Mr. Wallace's modest ideas about the ZNO, many unexpected matters have cropped out, so that he has recently ventured to place ZNO on sale (at \$3.00) with directions, charts, and data. So it is available as a standardized instrument for experimentation. It has given the value per ton of ore, when a piece was held in one hand and ZNO in the other, the width and depth of the vein, its distance and direction. It told the month of my birth, checked the color of materials (laid in marked squares on paper, then removed, and the paper sent to Wallace, predicted changes of plan with regard to trips, and so on.

"We have speculated on what makes it go. No promises can be made to users other than that they are almost certain to get action. Steady use seems to add to facility, and it is perhaps only my own belief that ZNO becomes accustomed to one person's vibratory rate and should be used by him. I consider it the most advanced form of dowsing device made so far, and usable by anyone."

H.D.CLARK

(Mr. Wallace suggested that we ask the M.P. Controls about this device. We found that they regarded it as a very sensitive device, among many others now used in the field of radiesthesia, and that it should by no means be regarded as merely an amusement or a curiosity. According to the Controls, all 'divining' of this sort depends on a projection of a portion of the sub- or unconscious self, which makes nothing of the obstacle of space, but gets the required information immediately-much as clairvoyant vision does. There is then a reaction analogous to the recoil along a radar beam, and the nerves and muscles of the experimenter translate the data into movements of the instrument. One item lacking in this explanation seems to be, that in dowsing with a forked stick the movement will often take place against the resistance of the operator, enough sometimes to injure the skin of the hands. Also the direction of the movement (such as a backward twist) often could not be accomplished by any normal muscular operation. When the hands remain motionless and the stick bends far backward, some unknown energy is at work.

(We consider Mr. Wallace's ZNO well worth extended investigation by anyone interested in the complexities of this field of phenomena.

(During the week of July 2 your Director observed, in the Round Robin office, the operation of another device, so sensitive that when one extended a hand toward it and commanded it to move away, the pointer of the device would swing thru at least a 90 deg. arc in the direction required; and if one commanded it to turn toward one it would also obey. In each case there was a time interval of 15-20 sec. before the motion began. We hold that this event (here mentioned so briefly and casually) is comparable to the fall of a kingdom - or an

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Re ZNO, address George Wallace, BSRA, Box 158, Beaumont, Calif. (\$3.50)



an atobomb, or a flying disc from Betelgeuse. PK effects, indeed! In a few decades more, when scientists get wind of this heresy, perhaps it will not be necessary to make fifty thousand throws of a dice set in order to study psychokinesis. Perhaps the Littlefield experiments in affecting the formation of microscopic crystals by 'mind energy' will be recognized and properly evaluated. Perhaps the alleged science of psychology will begin to break its swaddling bands. Perhaps something will really be known about the human aura and the magnetic field surrounding the human body. Perhaps some of the ancient knowledge of the occult sciences will assume its rightful importance. Meanwhile the more likely "perhaps" (perhaps) is that the magnificent achievements of materialistic science will so burn and blacken our planet, only the spawn of the radiolarian ooze can take over again -- for a fresh start?

Telephone Between  
Two Worlds, by  
James Crenshaw:

This book reviews the life and mediumship of Richard Zenor, and includes numerous predictions, conspicuous among which are those concerning an almost complete change in medical science. "Under -

standing of the vibratory nature of physical processes will lead to diagnostic and treatment devices far beyond the scope of present techniques." A drop of blood (it is said) will reveal the location of any person "down to a city block" if need be. The vibratory pattern of the blood drop is the same as the basic wave pattern of the individual, and this principle will be applied to the healing arts.

It has long seemed certain, to the present writer, that the future of medicine lies in the general field of electronics\*, which is extending in every direction and is already immensely complicated. The quotation about the blood drop, in the preceding paragraph, seems fantastic, but by way of commentary we quote remarks by one of the Mark Probert Controls, meeting of June 28th last. A new Control, "Dr. Carter", is speaking:

"I had a strange experience I want to tell you about. I happened to be with this boy's group in the city north of here the other night . . . The lady doctor doing the work claims to have been at it for many years. She is now undergoing great pressure from the American Medical Association. (The X-ray is important but has serious limitations)\*\* However in this work that the good lady is doing there is no such limitation to be faced. Blood, to me, is the most remarkable part of the body and carries the innermost secrets of life. The salt crystals in the blood are radioactive (though weakly so, but) strong

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Note: \* RR has several times recommended The Electronic Medical Digest as probably the best publication in this field, and packed full of interesting and important material for BSR readers. (1200 Hyde St. San Francisco, Calif. Quarterly, \$2.00 yr., single 50¢)

Note \*\*: Parentheses (for brevity) often condense several sentences by the Control. Questions by sitters are usually omitted.

enough to make sufficient light to take a photograph with. (Yes, like the Mexican doctor you speak of) this Dr. Drown is being persecuted by the A.M.A. under the Pure Food and Drugs Act. 'Pure food' they call it - much of it so devitalized by refining that it has little food value! This Dr. Drown picks up and photographs - without a camera or lens (i.e., on sensitized paper. ML) the light that comes from the radioactive particles of the blood, so that it shows any cancerous growth, or whatever is wrong in any part of the body. Friends, the photographing of the blood in this way will show the condition of the brain. It shows the light waves in an active brain - which looks like a starlit sky. In a sleepy brain it shows much less light, of course. And in the photograph of the brain of one who is dying, the pineal gland lights up almost like a sunset. It also photographs thought-forms, and picks up pain in any part of the body. There was a woman who was said to have a very bad condition of the uterus. The photograph showed there was no organic trouble, however, but a very ugly thought-form that was pressing against the uterus.

"I am telling you this because I want you to know what your concentrated powers of thinking can do - these little psychic beings that are strong enough to make a picture."

(Question: Is that true in epilepsy - thought-forms or misplaced lines of stress?)

"It is that, sir. Misplaced lines of stress. If you could see the photographs made by this lady doctor you would be amazed to see the stress lines in the body and how they are formed, and I believe that is the condition in epilepsy. However, it is sometimes brought on by the mother's thinking while in pregnancy, and sometimes by the person himself after he comes into the world. . . The body is made up of stress lines, and each organ has its own particular vibration. That is why it is wonderful to have such pictures as Dr. Drown is obtaining. These vibrations when measured by mechanical means will show very plainly what is wrong with the body, and the exact place, and what should be done to get the magnetic fields flowing rightly again."

(Question: Mark said that the blood drop of an individual many miles away showed a bullet in his body. The doctors who were to operate on him for hernia or something else didn't know a thing about it and laughed at the idea that it could be so; but they didn't laugh when they found the bullet)."

(On another occasion during this seance, the Carter Control remarked):

"Yes, poor food is one cause of cancer, but also you have a mental thing. The A.M.A. has been making a concentrated campaign describing the growths, symptoms and all the terrors of cancer, so that these pictures are put into the minds of people, and every little lump becomes a cancer. If you could only see these pictures - if you could only realize the results of such things!! The Oath of Hippocrates! The doctor who finds it contrary to his interests apparently simply un-oaths himself! "



SKOTOGRAPHY: The word really means dark writing, and is applied to "spirit" writing and drawing on photographic plates in unopened packages. By extension it includes all kinds of images which appear on sensitized surfaces (films, plates, paper) without the use of a lens, camera, or visible subject. The term psychograph has about the same meaning, but "spirit photography" usually implies the use of a camera. About 200 ways of producing such prints by fraudulent means are known, nevertheless the phenomenon is indisputable. (Consult the 17 book references given by Fodor in his Encyc., p. 315). "Thought photographs", obtained by holding a sealed photographic plate against the forehead, between the hands, etc., are of course in this same general category. A great number of such photographs have been published, obtained by dependable investigators.

About a dozen skotographs have been received by the RR editor, from BSR Assoc. Horace A. Cronk (2465 Territorial Road, MI. 1589 - St. Paul 4, Minn.). These were taken (he writes) "out of the air, without a camera, on plates already spoiled for photography by exposure, and developed in daylight. I have been at this kind of work for three or four years and have about 1500 (such pictures) and no two are alike".

This field can easily be explored by amateurs with comparatively small effort and expense; the literature, however, is extensive, so please do not ask RR for detailed instructions. We suggest that one should NOT be hasty in "explaining" the source or meaning of whatever may appear on the plates. It is likely that a great number of these forms derive from the "subconscious" or "coconscious" mind of the experimenter; others are believed to be low-astral or etheric entities. As might be expected, there is much grotesque sex symbolism, and the appearance of this has NO known relationship to the mind and character of the experimenter.

It is, in fact, somewhat remarkable that the more deep-dyed Freudians did not exploit psychography to its limits. Nothing can equal it as a pictographic revelation of the (supposed) utter corruption and degradation of certain 'levels' of the subconsciousness - and since the Freudian clinician finds all esoteric explanations entirely taboo, all the obscenities of the astral hells would have been 'proven' to lurk in every saint and sinner alike. - So, if you go in for skotography, expect nothing, be shocked at nothing, and be very wary of any and all explanations. Spirit entities may indeed cooperate with you - but when, how, and to what extent no one can be sure. And we are ourselves spirits-in-incarnation, so that between us and the incarnate there is continual overlapping of powers and activities. One should apologise for a bromide like that - but it is one which will not deepen the dreams of half the 'psychic researchers', and even more devout spiritualists.

Throughout the whole field of psychic and 'occult' phenomena, the explanations wait on at least a half-adequate knowledge of the psycho-physical make-up of a human being - something which contemporary psychology is far from having achieved. - And that's positively the last bromide for this page.

GREAT SNAKES!!  
or Something -

Excerpts from letter of BSR Associate William  
Lamb, of Upton, Wyo., to RR Editor:

1. Dear Friend M.L. -- I presume you have read about the "snake materialization" in Oklahoma. Sending you a clipping.

When I was a youngster living with my parents on a farm in Nebraska one evening a little before sundown I heard a mysterious something whiz 5) over our house and land with a splash in a mud puddle about 20 rods west of the house. I thought it might have been a meteorite and went and looked in the puddle which was quite a large one. There I saw something that looked like a head, with green eyes, and about eight feet of a glossy appearing body. Scared, I ran and told my father, who laughed about it and said I was crazy. We ate supper, and then my sister went outside to shut up the chicken house, and encountered Something with green eyes which frightened her badly; she ran back into the house and told about it. She had barely gotten the words out of her mouth when there was a great commotion among the chickens, who all flew off the roosts and out of the door, scattering in every direction. The dog ran out too, barking terrifically, snarling and acting worse than we had ever seen him.

My father got his revolver, went outside and emptied two boxes of 38 caliber cartridges into the Thing - but IT kept creeping along on the ground. It went thru woven wire fences, making them squeak, thru the gar- 20) den, thru another fence - my father shooting at it all the while and my mother holding a lantern - which made the green eyes show up, and the dog howling and snapping. Finally IT came to a board fence and crawled thru it, while I climbed over the gate in order to follow it. But I had no sooner done this, than the green-eyed, glossy-black critter jumped in- 25) to the air, flopped its wings, and was out of sight in less than five seconds. I must have been within 15 feet of it and got a good look. I'm drawing you a picture of it.

The track which this creature left thru the cornfield was about 20 inches wide, and in the morning we could see where it had crossed the onion patch and the garden stuff, but it didn't knock any boards off the garden fences or damage the wire fences. It made a stirring noise when it jumped 30) into the air, its wings flopped at terrific speed and made a whizzing sound. It took off at great speed and vanished in the starry sky toward the Southeast. Total crawling distance, about 35 rods (nearly 600 feet).

This gentleman will probably show up again later.

Yours, etc.

35) About August 10, 1950, an Oklahoma paper printed an item from Holdenville, Okla. (UP), as follows: A six-man safari pushed off into a swampy area near here Thursday, determined to track down a giant snake "as long as two pick-up trucks and big around as a man". The hunters were accompanied by a "snake dog" guaranteed to make the catch. Reports of the huge reptile date back 15 years, according to files of the Holdenville Daily News, but Thursday's hunt was planned after a farmer reported he spotted the snake on a road near the creek.

One reason we're printing this, is that Assoc. Lamb's cheery prediction about a reappearance has had partial verification here in San



Diego. The monster closely resembled the drawing made by Assoc. Lamb; it was seen, however, by a woman who has clairvoyant abilities. She is a responsible and dependable person and I accept her statement fully - but of course the question arises as to whether the creature seen was materialized on our plane, or perhaps partially so, or perhaps on the low-astral level entirely.

For a somewhat similar problem, consult the lengthy article by Ivan T. Sanderson, in TRUE magazine for June 1951, concerning his meticulous investigation of the immense three-toed tracks found in Florida. These were newly made, by some creature of enormous bulk and strength, and the author has exhausted every possible explanation of a normal or 'natural' kind. As an example of leaning backwards to avoid the imaginative and fantastic, Mr. Sanderson achieves distinction; in the end he rejects every hypothesis, insists on the reality of the phenomenon, and gives many similar reported instances (credible but 'unproven') from other parts of the world.

This Sanderson article undoubtedly cheered the heart of the Editor of TRUE - who was determined to get to the bottom of the flying disc mystery, regardless of time, effort, and expense. If TRUE got to the "bottom" of it, the mystery must have been about one millimeter in depth, and its solution buried far below any hope of revelation. No investigation has as yet gotten beyond the mere actuality or factuality of the discs, and TRUE failed to reach even that profundity. And no investigation will ever penetrate into the nature, causes and purpose of this visitation, unless or until the investigators are able to think in terms which are as yet almost unintelligible to our Western civilization.

We're not suggesting that the three-toed monster of the Florida swamps is the same as the green-eyed and winged Thing which Associate Lamb describes, but only that both of these - and many others equally incredible - are outlanders to our known world of living things. We think that perhaps, sometimes, such creatures issue from far underground, sometimes from unplumbed depths of the seas - and perhaps oftener still from etheric and low astral planes (whence it is likely that the whole of our own visible and tangible world has come forth). But where is the scientist who would even listen to such trashy stuff as this last suggestion? Well, there are a few who understand well enough, but only a tenth of one per cent who would admit it publicly.

Was it Huxley who said, "I am too much of a sceptic to disbelieve anything"? We recommend that point of view. One way of putting the matter is, that there's an immense amount of factual data which is ruled out of official science and 'orthodox' scientific thinking. Ruled out a priori until somebody else proves it - and until the somebody else is approved of in high quarters. Yet in spite of this mental inertia the light spreads - but slowly, far too slowly -

A Control with whom Associate H.M. Wagner has had long experience sends us laconic comment: "The time is now 11:57 - and zero hour is at midnight". How long is a minute, in the worlds invisible? Our guess would be, NOT a whole year long. That is one reason we say, 'the light spreads far too slowly.' -- (A Mark P. Control later said: 'the three minutes is probably 2- 3 months).

PRODIGAL GENIUS \*  
 Life of Tesla, by  
 John J. O'Neill

'The Greeks', says O'Neill in his first pages, 'would have enshrined Tesla as a God .. he is one of the most resplendant flashes that has ever brightened the scroll of human advancement.' And

after reading the biography this praise does not seem extravagant. But it is the psychic and psychological to which I want to draw attention here.

"If he thought of an object it would appear before him exhibiting the appearance of solidity and massiveness, so that it was usually difficult for him to distinguish between vision and reality... In mathematics his faculty permitted him to see a visioned blackboard on which the problem was written, with all the operations and symbols. Each step appeared more quickly than he could work it out by hand."

The mental constructs of machines and apparatus "were built with meticulous care as concerned size, strength, design and material; and they were tested mentally, he maintained, by having them run for weeks - after which time he would examine them thoroughly for signs of wear. If he at any time built a mental machine, his memory ever afterward retained all the details, even to the finest dimensions." (Will our BSR Associates please read this paragraph again? The mental constructs were set running and the wear of the parts noted and studied!).

Tesla made no drawings or blueprints or trial set-ups of even the most complicated machines. Test experiments were performed mentally. If a machine failed to work the fault lay in the basic theory, not in details of construction.

In opposition to the theories of Edison, Tesla developed the entire basic theory and practical application of alternating currents, as employed today in practically the whole electrical system of the country. He devised means for the wireless transmission of power to any point on the earth's surface; for the projection of a "death ray" effective up to 200 miles; for the transmission of energy thru interstellar space (and by which he could produce "an incandescent spot on the moon and visible to the naked eye"), for erecting a protective wall or barrier in space which would prevent invasion by an enemy - as well as hundreds of patented devices, exploited for years by everyone except Tesla himself, and of prime importance to science and in commerce.

In theory Tesla was a matter-and-energy materialist of the old school; nevertheless he had many telepathic and 'psychic' experiences, among which was his hour-long interview, in his own room, with Mark Twain, shortly after the latter's death. If this was another of Tesla's famous "projections" (like the machines mentioned above) at least Tesla did not so consider it, since he sent Twain a sum of money next morning, on the strength of the "interview" and was indignant at the "false" report. His great experience in the park at Budapest differed "only in degree and type, not in fundamental nature" from that which came to Saul on the Damascus road. He had many faults and limitations, but in intellect plus inspiration he was a superman. And he belongs to the future, not to the past, for science has not yet been able to understand and develop his greatest ideas, tho' they would reconstruct our civilization - the 'projected shadow of men's minds.'

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 Ives Washburn, Inc. 29 W. 57th, N.Y.C. 19. 326 pp. \$3.75.



FORTEAN HAPPENINGS - THE REESER CASE

Several Associates\* have sent us lengthy newspaper clips concerning the mysterious death of Mrs. Mary Hardy Reeser, of St. Petersburg, Fla. Dozens of "explanations" have been offered, none of which so far cover the reported facts. Apparently it belongs definitely to the category of "damned facts" collected by Charles Fort, and as such will be given the brush-off, as 'odd but simple' if one only had the clue. The newspaper reporting, however, for once seems fairly honest and meticulous. We condense from the Tampa Tribune of July 4, '51:

'All theories advanced today for the cause of the cremation death of 67-year-old Mary Hardy Reeser in her apartment here came up with the same conclusion - it just couldn't have happened. But it did. Police, arson experts and firemen pondered theory after theory, but each one was knocked down by the logic of conflicting facts. Mrs Reeser, the 170-pound mother of a St. Petersburg physician was last seen alive Sunday evening in her apartment ... Monday morning what is now believed to be her charred skull, shrunken to the size of a teacup, a section of backbone, and part of a left foot, still in its suede shoe, were all that remained. Almost all else in the little apartment below a four-foot level was virtually unmarred by the intense heat which cremated the body. Here are some of the theories that have been suggested:'

The staff writer, John Perry, then itemizes: (1) suicide by ignited gasoline? - But no traces of gasoline, no fumes, no container. (2) Did Mrs R fall asleep and her cigaret set fire to her overstuffed arm chair? Local morticians said it would take heat of 2000 degrees two or three hours to do the job. (3) Had the cotton chair stuffing been specially treated prior to its sterilization by steam, by the manufacturers. "But what chemical has properties that would remain that long with the cotton? (4) Was the body burned with an oxyacetylene torch? That kind of torch cuts - hardly practicable. And why did the nearby chair, lamp, and small table not burn? (5) Burning by an electric device? But how account for the vast amount of smoke and heat which blackened the apartment above the four-foot level? (6) Did Mrs R swallow some chemical which made her body combustible. Perhaps - but what? No such compound is known. (7) Phosphorus or jellied gasoline? These tend to spew over a wide area. (8) Was the body soaked in ether and alcohol? This seems to burn too fast. The fire raged long enough to choke the rooms with oily smoke and crack the plaster above the 4-foot line.

'The outside screen door was clogged with heavy soot above the 4-foot line. The entire apartment bore marks of heat above that line. The floor lamp was partially burned. Beneath the 4-foot line everything was neat. The body, the chair, the table and the rug were consumed - these in the narrow "death circle". The bed was untouched and spotless. A plastic water glass was melted, but tooth brushes just below had not been harmed. Magazines on the table were not even scorched. Plastic wall switches were melted, but plastic outlets below the 4-foot line were intact. The bottled gas had been turned off and

...the pipes drained. . . Mrs Reeser took sedatives but was not under medical care.

The Magistrate, the fire chief, and the arson agent for the insurance company say it was a "tragic accident of some sort" - with which no one is likely to disagree.

The St. Petersburg Times quotes an illiterate letter addressed to "Cheif of Detectiffs" and saying: "A ball of fire came through the open window and hit her. I seen it happen."

This actually hints at a more plausible explanation than anything yet invented - but NOT the kind of thing one can offer to fire chiefs and "arson experts",

Fortean and students of Borderland phenomena generally, will recall various reported instances of "spontaneous combustion" of human bodies. Cases of unexplained fires breaking out repeatedly in the presence of certain individuals (often children) are familiar to students of such matters. For occultists they have an intelligible explanation - but it's no good for "experts" and detectives.

Well, now, our invaluable Associate and Regional Director H.M. Wagner (DeFuniak Springs, Fla.) also takes a dim view of the "experts" and made inquiry of a trance Control (a very intelligent entity with whom he has had many conversations); and here's the reply he got:

"She (Mrs Reeser) had for a long time been fooling with occult practises and sent out a call for a certain type of entity. She was unprepared, and to a less extent than was Dr. Kappa. The entity summoned was less experienced in making contact than were those approaching Dr. Kappa, and hence both the woman and the summoned entity were badly damaged. The woman's body was consumed and the entity completely knocked out. While the summoned entity was of the same general sort as those who approached Dr. Kappa, he was inexperienced and carried a different force. "

(Question by Assoc. HMW: How would one present that to a coroner's jury?)

Ans. "One wouldn't unless one wanted to be shut up in an asylum."

There can be no question whatever about the truth of that last remark!

We could almost write out now, verbatim, what the authorities in this case will say, IF they happen to read this account. But we do them justice and even applaud them for admitting (so far) that the affair is mysterious and unexplainable. It's far from unprecedented, of course - but then the precedents would be mysterious and unexplainable too. So, we advise the brush-off, or pick out the two 'best' guesses and toss up a nickel - though a plugged penny would come closer to their value. Or inquire of Tiffany Thayer - the Fortean has pigeonholes for all such outlaw happenings - and keep them there.

And by the way - the 'ball of fire' mentioned to the Cheif of Detectiffs would be a natural form for the visiting entity to assume. Maybe - just maybe - all the poor spellers are not fools.

M.L.



BULLETIN OF THE HUNA ASSOCIATES, NO. 59

Max Freedom Long, Director

These Bulletins and other publications of the Huna Research Associates are of great interest and importance - or should be - to all our BSR Associates and to anyone interested in "Research, experiments and healing as related to the ancient Huna system." The cumulative evidence for remarkable healing results is extremely impressive and convincing, and the complete file (to date) of the 59 Bulletins is a treasure mine of invaluable information. For the moment we want to quote Director Long's reference (Bul. 59, p. 8) to the work of V.L. Cameron (HRA,BSRA) whose article appears on pages 1-3 of this issue of RR. Director Long writes:

"HRA V.L. Cameron, professional dowser and experimenter extraordinary, demonstrates his ability to measure the outline of any object which one builds by concentrated thinking, such as a vase of a certain size placed on a mantel. Fantastic as it may be, he takes his water dowsing gadget and traces the outline with ease. This gives us, in addition to the radiations and their wave lengths, an aka body, aura, etheric double or whatever we wish to call it. Both must be considered. One represents the mana, the other the aka form. Ordinarily the mana fades, and as it does so the aka form falls apart or is drawn back to the aka body of the man who made the mental picture... "

The next and last page of Bulletin 59 contains condensed instructions on how to use the pendulum. All of this lies deep in the field of radiesthesia - which, as our BSR Associates know, is filled with almost unbelievable foretastes and promises of new knowledge. It has long been a matter of regret to your BSR Director, that he has lacked time, strength, and ability to keep abreast of the HUNA research, probably as important an enterprise as anything afoot in our world today, and vastly more important than nine-tenths of the affairs which absorb the lives of the vast majority of humans. I also want to state explicitly, and on behalf of all BSR Associates, the great indebtedness of the BSR work and publications to Director Long. For more than five years he has contributed articles and information of all kinds, along with repeated commendatory references in the HUNA publications, and many useful contacts with HUNA workers throughout the world. Like the BSR, the HUNA Fellowship is "really" a non-profit set-up (not merely in the legal sense of that expression) and deserves the interest and support of all our BSR Associates.

(Meade Layne, Director)

Research Projects undertaken or proposed by the BSRA are often of a somewhat adventurous and unconventional kind, and depend partly on information derived from unusual sources. Yet the whole field of scientific experiment is filled with equally 'far-fetched' adventures. We wish to make plain that all BSR projects are approached in a rigidly experimental and scientific spirit, and that any information obtained from 'extra-normal' sources is evaluated in the same way.

1. Construction of apparatus at present is carried on in different homes and shops and in odd times by various Associates. We greatly need a small work-shop - laboratory, with 2-300 dollars worth of simple equipment.

2. We need funds to pay for temporary and part-time help by BSRA technicians, who are all employed and cannot neglect their present work without any compensation at all.

3. We need funds for occasional investigations, or for expenses of investigators who have to make short trips, carry on correspondence and follow up on private reports and newspaper stories.

4. In this connection - but also as a regular condition - is our need for funds to pay office help. If it were not for volunteer unpaid help we would not be able to carry on at BSR Hdqrs. at all.

At present we have a considerable amount of technical information which urgently demands examination and experiment. Some of this information involves new or highly advanced principles of physics, which might prove to be of incalculable importance. Working models of the devices concerned would cost perhaps \$300- \$400, and would be sufficient to demonstrate their practicability, if any.

One of these Projects is a working model, to demonstrate the principle only, of a "flying disc" type of craft, said to have been widely known and used among the ancients, of incredible speed and power, comparatively inexpensive to build and to operate. At 50% of alleged performance, this craft would change the face of our civilization. A few hundred dollars would enable us to thoroughly test the principles involved.

Another device is a very inexpensive short range (pistol range) weapon of a sonic nature and requiring no ammunition. Both this, and the flying craft mentioned above, are of enormous importance from a military standpoint. (We do not like to build weapons - but they are necessary, and cannot be separated from inventions of peace and human welfare). Two or three hundred dollars would build several of these sonic weapons.

The Cameron detector mentioned in Round Robin VII-2 is of immense practical importance. Some one should finance a detailed report on this device at once. Also, the Wallace ZNO promises to invade the field of instrumental telepathic communication. The cultural and scientific possibilities of both of these are enormous, but their development is so far stalemated for lack of funds. Our regular printed statement of the nature and purposes of BSRA mentions many other investigations also continually hampered by financial needs.